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## "ALLIES WILL WIN," WORD J. P. MORGAN BRINGS

### SAYS NAVY PLANS OF JAPAN REASON FOR ACTION BY U.S.

Admiral Badger Tells House Naval Committee That Nippon is Building Greater Battleship Than Any Planned for America

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—Rear-Admiral Charles J. Badger, U. S. N., retired, and member of the general board of the navy department, explained to the house committee on naval affairs today the recommendation of the board for larger ships for the 1918 building program. Admiral Badger said that Japan is building larger, more powerful and swifter battleships than any being planned by the United States. The main battery of this great fighting machine, he said, would be 12 15 or 16-inch guns.

### U. S. ARMY WILL NEED MANY MORE MEN AFTER JULY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—As showing the need for recruits for the regular army under the new national defense plan, Adjutant-Gen. McCall, U. S. A., has filed a report stating that the army is now short 150 officers and 25,000 men of the authorized strength up to June 30, and that next day the army will be more than 24,000 men under the authorization. The sudden difference is due to the fact that the first increment of the army increase under the national defense plan will be available July 1.

### FIVE FILIPINOS STEAL WIFE AWAY

Five Filipinos have been arrested by Capt. McDuffie of the detectives, charged with stealing the wife of Florio Bague, a countryman, in Ewa Monday night at the point of a revolver and forcing her through threats to marry Fidel Delon, one of them, in Honolulu Tuesday night. The others are E. C. Lucas, the alleged leader of the gang and said to be a habitual wife-stealer and Filipino lady-killer; Sofia Buen, E. Ayala and A. Panonilla. McDuffie says the quintet held the objecting husband, who had married the woman, Romona Rojas, only a few months ago in the Philippines, at bay while they sprang into a machine and went to Honolulu to have the couple married by a Catholic priest, who knew nothing of the circumstances. The whole gang was arrested in Lucas' house in Dorsett lane. On Lucas' person was a letter saying the whole affair was an elopement. The chief believed this was a "blind" to help out in event of arrest.

### Australia Girl Won't Come Here For Swim Races

Miss Fanny Durack, champion female swimmer of the world, will not come to America in February. This information was received in a cable today from H. M. McIntosh of Sydney to W. T. Rawlins, chairman of the Carnival swimming meet. "All negotiations girl swimmers off" was the text of the cable. An effort was being made to secure a race between the champion swimmer of the world and Miss Olga Dorfner, champion girl swimmer of America. Rawlins had been working on the plan. It was expected that the two girls would meet in a special race in Honolulu during the Carnival. Honolulu was awarded the 50-yard championship race for girls by the A. A. U. and Olga Dorfner, Claire Galigan, Frances Cowells and others may come here for that race. Inasmuch as Harry Hebler has announced that he will not be able to come here during the Carnival, things do not look bright for many visiting stars, but Rawlins says that despite these setbacks he will have a good meet in February.

### WILL VISIT UNITED STATES.

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)  
TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 8.—Liu Cheng Hsiang, former secretary of state under Yuan Shih-Kai in China, will visit United States and European countries in the near future to study the diplomatic situation. He was one time a candidate for secretary of state in China. It is expected that he will come some time to Honolulu.

### NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

Following are the closing prices of stocks on the New York market today, sent by the Associated Press over the Federal Wireless:

	Yesterday	Today
Alaska Gold	13 1/2	13 1/2
American Smelter	116 1/2	115 1/2
American Sugar Rfg.	115 1/2	115 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	127 1/2	128
Anaconda Copper	88 1/2	89 1/2
Atchafalpa	104 1/2	105 1/2
Eldredge Loco.	80 1/2	81 1/2
Pittsburgh & Ohio	85 1/2	86 1/2
Fishelheim Steel	64 1/2	65 1/2
Calif. Petroleum	27 1/2	28 1/2
Canadian Pacific	167 1/2	167 1/2
C. & M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	93 1/2	93 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	56 1/2	56 1/2
Crucible Steel	85 1/2	85 1/2
Eric Common	37 1/2	38 1/2
General Electric	180 1/2	180 1/2
General Motors	117 1/2	117 1/2
Great Northern Pfd.	124 1/2	123 1/2
Inter. Harv. N. J.	56 1/2	56 1/2
Kennecott Copper	51 1/2	52 1/2
Lehigh R. R.	107 1/2	107 1/2
New York Central	56 1/2	56 1/2
Pennsylvania	33 1/2	33 1/2
Ray Consol.	99 1/2	99 1/2
Southern Pacific	121 1/2	120 1/2
Studebaker	204 1/2	204 1/2
Texas	145 1/2	145 1/2
Union Pacific	125 1/2	125 1/2
U. S. Steel	125 1/2	125 1/2
U. S. Steel Pfd.	125 1/2	125 1/2
Utah	102 1/2	102 1/2
Western Union	102 1/2	102 1/2
Westinghouse	61 1/2	61 1/2

\*Bid. †Ex-dividend. ‡Unquoted.

### PEGGY CENTER'S SINGING LAUDED BY MME. MELBA

World Renowned Diva Arrives on Niagara; Calls Honolulu Girl "Wonderful Pupil"

"Peggy Center is a wonderful pupil; wonderful." These were among the first two dozen words spoken by Madame Nellie Melba after half a dozen flower leis had been lovingly placed around her neck this morning at Pier 7, about half a minute after she stepped ashore from the Canadian-Australasian liner Niagara. "I am here to stay for two months," she said, as she tried to greet at least a dozen persons at once, including Mr. and Mrs. "Billy" Adams, Miss Center's relatives and a good sized group of her many dear friends in Honolulu. "At last I am to enjoy the delights of living in a Honolulu bungalow," she added when a Star-Bulletin reporter tried to get a few questions in edgewise, "something I have wanted to do for a very long time." Speaking of her protegee's progress in singing, the world famous diva had nothing but praise for Miss Center. "Peggy is a wonderful pupil," she said to W. D. Adams and the reporter both at once. "Her progress has been magnificent and if you Honolulu people aren't proud of her I'm going to shoot you." Returning with Miss Center was her brother, E. A. Center; also Madame Melba's niece, Miss Nellie Patterson, a niece of the Honolulu artist, Ambrose Patterson. Miss Center, whose name is Margaret, but who is known to everyone in Honolulu as "Peggy," said she was extremely glad to see Honolulu again. She left here with Madame Melba March 22 on the Niagara for Australia and has been under the training of the beloved diva continuously since.

### CHINA SENDS SPECIAL ENVOY TO JAPANESE

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)  
TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 8.—Tsun-julin, former assistant secretary of state of China, will leave Peking on December 13 for Tokyo. His visit is considered of much importance in diplomatic circles, as he will be entertained as a guest of the Japanese government. President Li Yuan Hung nominated Tsun-julin as the special envoy to discuss the relations between China and Japan in Oriental matters. Li Yuan Hung was educated in Japan, and since his election to the presidency of China has been unusually friendly. He is sending a decoration of the highest order which will be presented to Emperor Yoshihito of Japan by the envoy.

### UNDESIRABLES STILL CONTINUE TO LEAVE

Two of the 13 men arrested by the police in an early morning raid on Iwilei and later turned over to the federal authorities, left Honolulu today in the steamer Great Northern, and three or four others were scheduled to get out in the Niagara. The remaining men, say the officials, have purchased tickets for the Matsonia next week. One man has not yet bought a ticket, but says he will get one as soon as he disposes of his property.

### TO ASK \$600,000 AS SCHOOL FUND FOR NEXT PERIOD

Plan to Double Capacity of High School and Erect New Buildings

Approximately \$600,000 will be asked of the next legislature for the special fund for school buildings and their maintenance and repair for the biennial period beginning January 1, 1918. Proposals to spend this amount include additions to McKinley High school, which will double the capacity of that institution, the erection of two new buildings the size of the one just completed at Central Grammar, and the erection of a concrete high school building at Hilo. Work on these proposed new buildings would begin between the first of January, 1918, and the end of December, 1920. The estimate is considerably higher this year owing to the increased cost of material. It will be taken up and probably passed on at a meeting of the school commission at 9 o'clock next Monday morning. From the commission the estimate will go to the board of estimates, to the governor and then to the legislature.

### CAPT. SHOEMAKER GOES HOME FROM INQUIRY AT GUAM

Naval Officer Who Has Been Probing Removal of Governor Maxwell Will Not Discuss It

Returning to Washington after making a thorough investigation into the circumstances surrounding the alleged imprisonment and "railroading" to the mainland of Governor Maxwell of Guam, Capt. William R. Shoemaker, U. S. N., whom the latest navy directory lists as "en route temporary duty naval station, Guam," is a through passenger on the U. S. army transport Thomas today. Capt. Shoemaker passed through Honolulu September 13 on the transport Sheridan, bound for Guam to make his investigation of the affair for the navy department. He had no statement to make at that time except that he would look into every angle of the affair. What caused the investigation was the removal from office of Governor Maxwell as governor of Guam by Lieut. Comdr. William P. Cronan, commanding the U. S. S. supply station ship at Guam. The lieutenant-commander is said to have placed Governor Maxwell under arrest, put him in the naval station hospital and later had him sent to Washington on the transport Sheridan for observation as to his mental condition. Cronan's action precipitated a terrific rumormongering in the navy department, which was increased still more by the arrival at Washington of Governor Maxwell, who claimed the whole affair to have been a conspiracy to discredit him. Officers of the Sheridan, when she was in port last, said they believed Governor Maxwell was perfectly sane and in full control of all his faculties. They refuted any theories that his mental condition was deficient and said he had acted as any normal person would while a passenger on the transport.

### ESTIMATE BOARD MEETS ON DEC. 20

A board of estimates, consisting of Mayor John C. Lane, Territorial Secretary Wade Warren Thayer, Superintendent of Public Instruction Henry W. Kinney and the chairman of the boards of supervisors of the various counties, will meet in Honolulu on December 20 to discuss the estimate of the school commission covering the biennial period beginning January 1, 1917. After consideration by the board the estimate will go to the governor.

### Late News At A Glance

U. S. PROTESTS GERMAN TREATMENT OF BELGIANS  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—A note by the United States protesting against German treatment of Belgian civilians was made public today. The note protests against the deportation of Belgians from their country, for forced labor, as contrary to the precedents of warfare, to human principles and to international practice. It is noted that this communication was cabled on November 29, the day that U. S. Ambassador Gerard, home on leave from Berlin, discussed the subject with the president.

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 8.—A statement issued here today says that the transfer of Belgian civilians to Germany, which has been the subject of bitter complaint, is a social necessity and does not mean any hardship on the deported men and women.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN IS SOLD FOR \$27,000,000  
NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 8.—Madison Square Garden, scene of many famous events of metropolitan life, has been purchased by the New York Life Insurance Company at a foreclosure sale for \$27,000,000.

LOS ANGELES EXPRESS WAGON ROBBER CAUGHT  
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 8.—Albert Griffith, a policeman for four years, is the hold thief who yesterday robbed an express wagon of \$20,000 after throwing pepper in the eyes of the guard. Griffith has confessed to detectives that he robbed the wagon. Most of the money has been recovered.

PLAN TO PROTEST BERETANIA IMPROVEMENT  
Information reached the Star-Bulletin this afternoon that property owners protesting against the Beretania street improvement, who recently tried to block the improvement project, are now planning to hold a public meeting to voice their opposition.

COUNTRY CLUB CADDIES ON "STRIKE"  
Eight caddies at the Oahu Country Club, all young boys, have declared a "strike" for higher wages their demands being 45 instead of 35 cents for each round. Two of the boys, alleged to be ring leaders, are in the custody of juvenile court officials. Probation Officer Joseph Leal says the boys probably will be put in school and warned to stay there, if being alleged they had been irregular in attendance.

BIDS FOR ASSEMBLY HALL ARE OPENED  
Bids opened at noon today in the architect offices of Emory & Webb for the erection of the Salvation Army assembly hall in Manoa Valley were as follows: Wong Wong, \$16,030; Kobayashi, \$16,370; Aloha Building Company, \$16,500; City Mill Company, \$16,550; Pakuya & Co., \$17,865; Neves & Fernandez, \$18,609; Henry Fernandez, \$19,240. No award was made.

### POPULATION OF TERRITORY IS NOW MORE THAN 237,000

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The annual report of Governor Lutes E. Pinkham of Hawaii made to the secretary of the interior gives the population of Hawaii as 237,000, an increase of 10,000 over the figures for 1910, when the last regular census was taken. The greatest increase is shown to be in Japanese, to whose numbers 17,326 have been added.

### JURY MAY REPORT ON GRAY MATTER

It was expected that the territorial grand jury this afternoon would report the results of an investigation of the case of Jesse Gray, former police officer at Wahiawa, which has been in progress for the last several months. Gray was dismissed by the civil service commission, it having been charged that he accepted bribes as protection for persons conducting gambling games at Wahiawa. According to the city attorney's office, the grand jury has had before it a petition signed by about 100 Wahiawa residents, including several army officers, asking that Gray be reinstated. Whether, in the opinion of the jury, he should be reinstated, is thought to be the subject of the report expected this afternoon.

### GIVEN SIX MONTHS, WOMAN IN FAINT

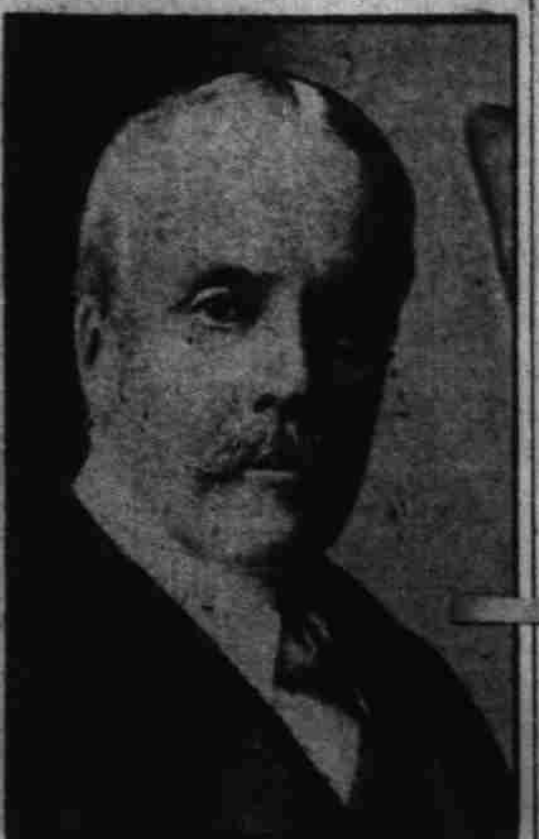
Arrested at 11 o'clock Thursday night in a room in a local hotel in company with a man living his name as Maurice Kurtz, who was a steward on the Matsonia, Rosie Wilson, former inmate of Iwilei, was sentenced by Circuit Judge Ashford today to serve six months in the city jail. The woman fainted after being sentenced. Kurtz said he came here Wednesday on the Matsonia and testified that the Wilson woman was his wife. The woman also testified she was Kurtz' wife. Judge Ashford told them he was of the opinion that both had committed perjury while testifying. Their stories failed absolutely to connect up. The Wilson woman is one of the 114 Iwilei denizens recently given a suspended sentence by Ashford. "Don't you talk to me," Deputy City Attorney Carden explained to Kurtz, after the woman had been sentenced. "I've got no use for you. You are the one who ought to be in jail." Kurtz attempted to comfort his alleged wife, but she pushed him aside.

### STEPS TO DISSOLVE BATTELLE COMPANY

At a meeting of the Battelle Sugar Refining Company, Ltd., Thursday afternoon, A. S. Hayward and E. B. Clark were elected directors to fill vacancies and steps were taken to effect a dissolution of the organization. The necessary legal process was started but it will be some time before arrangements are complete. E. E. Battelle of New York City, who came here for the purpose, was present.

The 35th annual accounts of the trustee of the estate of the late King Lunalilo has been approved by Circuit Judge Ashford after the recommendation of A. P. Scott, trustee.

### Balfour For Grey's Post



Arthur James Balfour.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
LONDON, Eng., Dec. 8.—Rt. Hon. Arthur James Balfour, Unionist, present first lord of the admiralty, and a former premier of Britain, is to be the new foreign secretary in Lloyd George's cabinet, if a movement now on foot succeeds. At a meeting of Liberals today it was said that Balfour would be the next foreign secretary.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 8.—Ex-Premier Asquith told the meeting of Liberals today that he has not relinquished the leadership of the Liberal party. He said that there had been a carefully engineered campaign against him, but acquitted Lloyd George and the latter's associates from taking part in this campaign.

### MARINA ENTITLED TO IMMUNITIES

Washington Establishes Status of Sunk Vessel As in No Sense War-Transport

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—Official information received here establishes the status of the British steamer Marina, which was sunk off the Irish coast by a German submarine, as in no sense a war transport and, therefore, entitled to the immunities which Germany has pledged herself to give merchant vessels. The Marina was sunk with the loss of six Americans, crew members, and Berlin has already stated that the submarine commander reports that he sank the vessel mistaking it for another. A new note sent by the United States to Germany on the general submarine situation appears possible. If it is sent, it will be for the purpose of clearing up the apparent differences in interpretation of what Germany's pledges, after the Sussex attack, covered, especially with reference to armed ships. Secretary of State Lansing has asked Britain for information to determine the status of another destroyed vessel, the P. & O. liner Arabia.

### GERMAN OFFICIAL CABLEGRAMS

GERMAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS (Early Report), Dec. 8.—In the western arena no important events developing. On the east front, Rumanian, Rumanian on December 6 lost besides Bucharest and other important towns one division, which was forced to an engagement on the Alt and was obliged to capitulate with 8000 men and 26 cannons. On the Macedonian front, Serbian night attacks near Traava near the east bank of the Czerna, failed.

GERMAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Dec. 7.—Western arena. Crown Prince's front: On west bank of Meuse after fire preparation, a detachment of Westfalen infantry, Regiment 15, entered French trenches on Height 304, southwest of Malancourt, known from summer engagements, and captured the summit. Five officers and 190 men were taken. Also, from an advance into hostile lines on Mortomme we brought back 11 prisoners.

### RIVENBURGH WILL NOT OFFER ANY PROPOSALS

Land Commissioner Bertram G. Rivenburgh will not file, in his report to the governor, any suggestions for the coming legislature. He will wait until the legislature meets and then take up such problems as present themselves, he said today. "My report will necessarily be retrospective more than prospective," said Rivenburgh discussing the subject. "I do not consider that it will be feasible to make suggestions of any radical nature until questions to be presented to the legislature have been brought up."

### TEUTONS AFTER CONSTANTINE TO TAKE SIDE

Germany and Austria Offer Services if Nation Will Declare War; Allies Begin to Blockade Athens and Piraeus

Rumanian and Russian Armies May Be Cut Off From Escape and Annihilated; Heavy Fighting For Hill 304

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 8.—J. P. Morgan, head of the great banking house largely identified with floating the loans for the Entente powers, returned from abroad today with the terse prediction, "The Allies will win."

PETROGRAD, Russia, Dec. 8.—Late today announcement was made that the Russians have taken the offensive in the woods of the Carpathian district, where they are opposing Archduke Joseph's troops, and that a battle there is in progress.

PARIS, France, Dec. 8.—The French battleship Suffren, which sailed on November 24 for L'Orient, and carrying a complement of 730 men, has been lost with all on board, in the opinion of the minister of marine.

The battleship Suffren is an old vessel, of 12,527 tons, launched in 1899, carrying four 12-inch, 10 6.4-inch and other guns. She had a speed of 18 knots. L'Orient, France, is a fortified seaport town on the Bay of Biscay, with extensive docks and building yards.

### Rumanian Armies Now Surrendering

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 8.—Further successes met the Teuton arms today in their conquest of Rumania. More than 8000 more Rumanians have surrendered. The Russians are retreating from Predeal. Many of them, endeavoring to gain the Altitians passes through the mountains were cut off by the hard-driving Teuton armies and most of these captured. Few have any hope of ultimate escape. In western Rumania, where two armies of the defenders are still operating, the pursuit by the Teutons continues and more than 10,000 more Rumanians have been captured.

### Jaws of Trap Now Yawning For Greece

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
LONDON, England, Dec. 8.—A dispatch from Rome today declares that Germany and Austria have offered their services to Greece, in opening land communications with the Central Powers and in protecting Greece in a military way, if Greece declares war on the Entente Allies.

### LIST OF SINKINGS IN WAR-ZONE GROWS FAST

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 8.—The Anchor liner Caledonia is believed to have been sunk. Other reported sinkings in the war zone are the Belgian steamer Kolver and the Norwegian steamer Meteor. Despatches from various points tell of the sinking of the Greek steamer Ilyria and the Norwegian steamer Stettin, both torpedoed.

The Caledonia was built at Glasgow, Scotland, in 1904, was of 2223 tons, with home port Glasgow. She was formerly in the transatlantic trade.

### BOTH SIDES OF HILL 304

PARIS, France, Dec. 8.—The Germans have been driven from Hill 304, Verdun. BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 8.—The French have failed to take Hill 304, Verdun. Additional Telegrams Available